



FW: Technical Assistance Needs Assessment
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Dan,

Has EPA considered a TANA for West Lake Landfill?
See info below on finalization of the TANA tool.

Thanks,

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Hi All,

Please see the below message from Jim Woolford at
USEPA HQ.

Thanks,
Sam

In June 2010, OSWER established a National Technical Assistance Workgroup as part of the Community Engagement Initiative (CEI), with the goal to develop a technical assistance strategy. We are pleased to announce that OSRTI has finalized the Technical Assistance Needs Assessment (TANA) tool as a component of the Superfund Community Involvement Toolkit, based on the Workgroup's recommendation to develop best practices for conducting a technical assistance needs assessment.

The TANA is a site-specific process to identify whether a community requires additional support from EPA in order to understand technical information and enable meaningful community involvement in the Superfund decision-making process. TANAs are not required by statute or regulation, but they are strongly recommended whenever a community may require additional technical assistance. The TANA can be conducted concurrently with the initial community interviews administered for development of a Community Involvement Plan (CIP), or at a later date if the technical assistance needs of the community cannot be adequately defined by community members at that time. This assessment will provide the Agency with a detailed record of potentially unmet technical assistance needs and provide a working document from which the most appropriate forms of informal and formal technical assistance can be identified and provided to the community. The new TANA tool is available online at: <

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